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In re: Vervoort et al.

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EPSTEIN BARR VIRUS (EBV) NUCLEIC ACID

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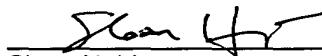


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Responsive to the Office Action dated June 4, 2002, it is respectfully requested that this application be reconsidered in view of the following amendments and remarks.

AMENDMENT

In the Specification.

Please replace the paragraph on Page 7, line 29 through Page 8, line 16 with the following:

 A more preferred embodiment of the present invention is directed to a pair of oligonucleotides, for the amplification of a target sequence within a Epstein Barr virus sequence, for use as a set, comprising:

1.2, 5'-CTCCCTTTACAACCTAAGGC-3' [SEQ.ID.NO.: 2], and

2.1, 5'-AGAGACAAGGTCCTTAATCGCATCC-3' [SEQ.ID.NO.: 3] provided with a T7 polymerase promoter sequence 5'-aattctaatacgactcactataggg-3' [SEQ.ID.NO.: 37] (EBNA-1);

or

1.1, 5'-CGGGCGGACCAGCTGTACTTGA-3' [SEQ.ID.NO.: 6] provided with a T7 polymerase promoter sequence 5'-aattctaatacgactcactataggg-3' [SEQ.ID.NO.: 37], and

2.2, 5'-GAGGTTTTTGATAGGGAGAGGAGA-3' [SEQ.ID.NO.: 7] (EBER-1);

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